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Transmitted herewith is the patent application of () application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Edwin J. Hlavka, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING CATHETER-BASED ANNULOPLASTY, for a(n):

- () Original Patent Application.
- (X) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):
 () Continuation (X) Divisional () Continuation-in-part (CIP)
 of prior Application No. 09/841,968, filed April 24, 2001.
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 () Continuation (X) Divisional () Continuation-in-part (CIP)
 of Application No. 09/841,968, filed April 24, 2001, which is hereby incorporated by reference."
- () This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application
 No. _____, filed _____.

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- (X) Specification; 34 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s); 15 Total Sheets.
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